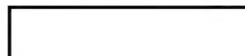# SECRET
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Paul Comstock
Psychological Strategy Board

SUBJECT: State Department draft pursuant to paragraph 6, c.
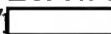of PSB D-24, (PSB D-24/1).

Supplementing the concurrence forwarded last week with the
State Department's third suggested course of action in connection
with PSB D-24, we offer the following suggestions for use in de-
veloping the plan:

1. The action should be a joint effort by as many countries as
possible, with special emphasis on the NATO bloc. If, however,
other nations do not agree to omit official condolences, our posi-
tion should be re-examined as to the consequences of unilateral
action.

2. While pursuing the policy of omitting official messages of con-
dolence to the Soviet Government, quasi-official statements should
be issued by a number of top-rank U. S. officials expressing the
friendship of the American people for the peoples of the Soviet
Union and the hope that new Soviet leadership will grant its people
the basic freedoms and justice enjoyed by the Free World.

3. U. S. religious, trade, welfare, professional, cultural and
other organizations should issue statements and send messages to
their counterparts in the USSR, expressing their desire to estab-
lish friendly relations and making concrete offers for the ex-
change of ideas and persons.

4. It would be desirable for high U. S. military spokesmen in
quasi-official statements to press and radio to express the hope
that the Soviet armed forces, as the historic protectors of the
Soviet people, will take this opportunity to see that the ty-
rannical oppression their peoples have suffered for 36 years
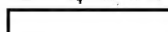does not endure under the new regime.

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